

SUMMER OLYMPIC GAMES TABLE TENNIS

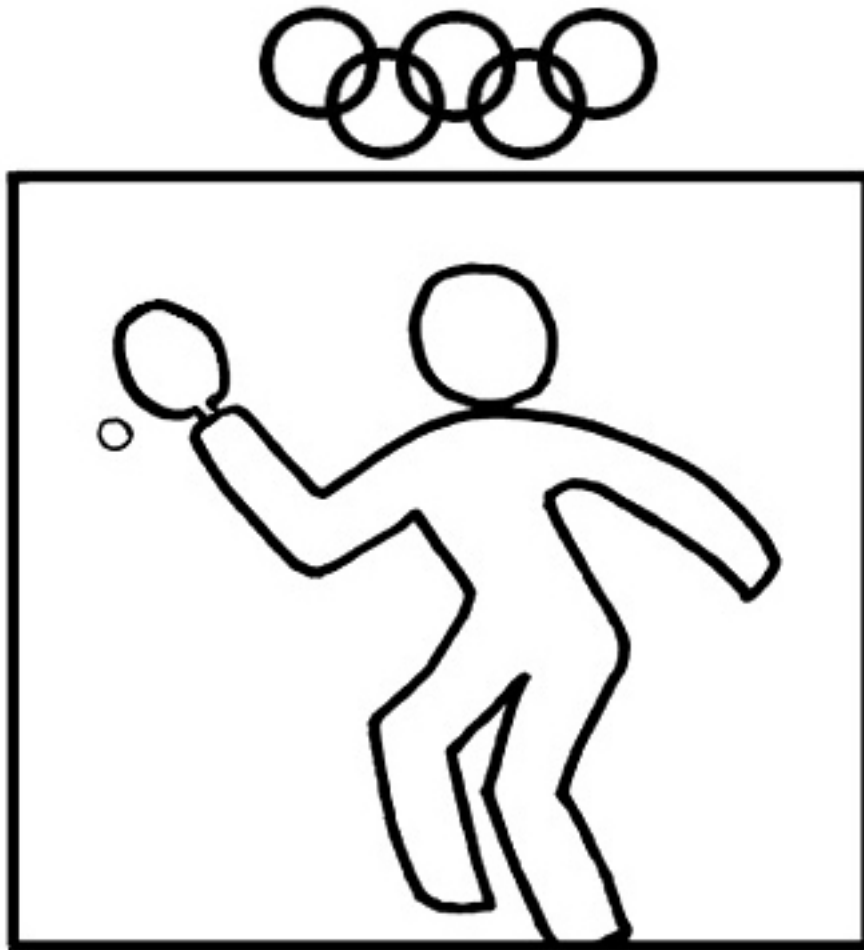


Table tennis, or 'ping pong' as it is often known, appeared in Britain during the late 1800s. First seen as strictly a game for aristocrats and the rich, it slowly gained more wide-spread popularity. Table tennis clubs sprang up in the early decades of the 20th century, and the International Table Tennis Federation was founded in 1926. Table Tennis was added to the Olympic schedule in 1988.